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This bulletin is mailed primarily to individuals engaged in the Forest Products Industry in Montana. In addition, it is mailed to county agents, lumber brokers, wholesalers, dealers of sawmill and logging equipment, educators, and Montana Tree Farmers, as well as the Departments of Forestry in many states.

The purpose of this newsletter is to communicate information regarding the properties and uses of wood products, promote efficiency in the utilization of wood from the stump to the end product, and to serve as a information source for members of the forest products industry.

All persons receiving this newsletter are asked to examine their mailing address and advise this office of any corrections needed for proper mailing.

TRAINING SESSIONS FOR RESTRICTED-USE WOOD PRESERVATIVES

Over a year ago, the Environmental Protection Agency announced a decision to restrict the use and sale of three wood preservatives. This decision meant that all purchasers of creosote, pentachlorphenol and inorganic arsenicals would be required to have a pesticide applicator's license. The litigation between the EPA and the wood preservative industry is now complete and the new regulations will go into effect on November 10, 1986.

By this date, all existing stocks of these wood preservatives must be relabeled with restricted-use labels, all states must have their new applicator training and certification programs in place, a volunteer consumer awareness and information campaign must be implemented by the industry and anyone who uses, sells or applies these restricted-use chemicals or any products containing these chemicals must be licensed as a certified applicator. The new regulations will be administered and enforced by the Montana Department of Agriculture.

If you are or will be involved in the sale, distribution, application or other use of restricted-use wood preservatives, you will have to become licensed.

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The following is a summary of some important points dealers and applicators of restricted-use wood preservatives should know to become licensed for use of these products.

1. Dealers must pass a dealer's exam with a grade of 75% or better, complete an application form and pay a $35.00 licensing fee.

2. Commercial Applicators must pass the general use pesticide exam with a grade of 70% or better and the wood preservative exam with a grade of 80% or better, complete an application form and pay a $35.00 licensing fee.

3. Government Applicators must pass the general use pesticide exam with a grade of 70% or better and the wood preservative exam with a grade of 80% or better, complete an application form and pay a $50.00 licensing fee.

4. Operators must be registered on the application submitted by the certified Applicator who supervises them. No exam is required, but when a certified Applicator registers an Operator, he/she guarantees that the Operators under his/her supervision have an Operator's level of knowledge. This implies that the certified Applicator has provided them with appropriate training. There is a fee of $10.00 for the first two Operators listed on each application and $5.00 for each additional Operator listed on the application.

5. Farm Applicators should visit their county extension agent for licensing. They can either take four hours of training and an ungraded quiz, or read the general-use pesticide manual and pass a basic applicator exam with a grade of 70% or better. Specific training and licensing for the use of wood preservatives will not be required for Farm Applicators.

WHEN AND WHERE TO TAKE THE LICENSING EXAMS

License examinations are given in two ways. In one case, training sessions organized by the Department of Agriculture are offered periodically and examinations are given immediately following the classroom instruction. In the other case, no instruction is provided and examinations are given by the Department of Agriculture at the Helena office or at any of the five pesticide specialist field offices on the first Monday of each month. In both situations, the questions are taken from information provided in official training manuals. These two manuals will be available through the Department of Agriculture after September 1st at a cost of $2.50 each.

Training is not required before an exam, but it is highly recommended. Training programs greatly increase the chances of achieving a passing grade.

UPCOMING TRAINING AND TESTING OPPORTUNITIES

The Department of Agriculture in cooperation with the Office of Extension Forestry, the Department of State Lands Division of Forestry and the University of Montana School of Forestry, is offering three license training and examination sessions in the Fall of 1986. The dates and locations are:

Monday, September 22 Rural Electric Association Bldg. Corvallis, Montana	Training: 1 p.m. - 5 p.m. No exam offered

Monday/Tuesday, September 29/30 Outlaw Inn Kalispell, Montana	Training: Exam:	Monday 1 p.m. - 5 p.m. Tuesday 9 a.m. - Noon Tuesday 1 p.m.
Wednesday/Thursday, October 1/2 DNRC Building, Glacier Room Helena, Montana	Training: Exam:	Wednesday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Wednesday evening or Thursday 9 a.m.

Anyone who attends one of these training sessions, achieves a passing grade on the appropriate exam and pays their registration fee, will be licensed as a certified applicator in Montana. Again, training is not required for certification, but it is highly recommended.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

To obtain further information on licensing and regulations, to pre-register for one of the scheduled training/examination programs, or to obtain training manuals, please contact John Larson, Montana Department of Agriculture, Environmental Management Division, Capitol Station, Helena, Montana 59620 (406)444-2944.

The Office of Extension Forestry has copies of the new Consumer Information Guides and the detailed label information for each of the restricted-use wood preservatives. We will supply them to you at your request. Write or call Dr. Steven B. Laursen, Extension Forestry Specialist, School of Forestry, University of Montana, Missoula, Montana 59812 (406)243-2773.

Information and assistance relative to training programs and the use and relative effectiveness of the various wood preservative products can be obtained by contacting Mr. Paul Moore, Forest Product Marketing and Utilization Specialist, Department of State Lands, Forestry Division, 2705 Spurgin Road, Missoula, Montana 59801 (406)728-4300.

Dr. Steven B. Laursen, Extension Forestry and Natural Resource Specialist, Montana Cooperative Extension Service, School of Forestry, University of Montana, Missoula, Montana 59812 (406)243-2773.

FOREST PRODUCTS INDUSTRY DIRECTORY TO BE UPDATED

The Department of State Lands is in the process of updating the "1985 Directory of Montana's Forest Products Industry." The directory provides a comprehensive listing of sawmills, post and pole, houselog, plywood, fiberboard and secondary manufactures located within Montana.

In order to update the directory, a questionnaire will be mailed out to companies listed in the 1985 directory. Others interested in being included in the new directory should contact the Marketing Bulletin Editor or the local Department of State Land Office.

The "Directory of Montana's Forest Products Industry" will list the name, address and phone number of primary and secondary manufacturers and includes size of the company, type of products produced, and the species used.

The directory is sent upon request to lumber wholesalers, brokers, timberland owners, equipment manufacturers, educators and many others connected with the forest products industry throughout the United States.

The directory is scheduled to be released January, 1987.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE LANDS TIMBER SALES

PIPE CREEK:

Sealed bids will be received by the Department of State Lands, Forestry Division, 2705 Spurgin Road, Missoula, Montana up to 2:00 p.m., September 10, 1986, for the merchantable sawtimber designated for cutting on Section 16, T31N-R31W estimated to contain 69 MBF ponderosa pine, 295 MBF western larch, 337 MBF Douglas-fir, 1 MBF other, 1,151 MBF lodgepole pine, 48 MBF dead all species, for a total of 1,902 MBF, more or less.

Full particulars regarding the terms of the contract regulations governing the sale and bid forms may be obtained from the Department of State Lands, Forestry Division, in Missoula; the Northwestern Land Office, 2250 Highway #93, Kalispell; or the Libby Unit, Department of State Lands Office located at the junction of the Fisher River Road and Highway #37.

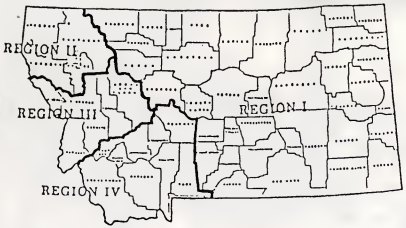
McGREGOR LAKE II:

Sealed bids will be received by the Administrator, Forestry Division, Department of State Lands, 2705 Spurgin Road, Missoula, Montana up to 3:00 p.m., September 10, 1986 for the merchantable sawtimber designated for cutting on Section 16, T26N-R25W estimated to contain 1,474 MBF western larch, 158 MBF Douglas-fir, 70 MBF spruce, 5 MBF lodgepole pine, 17 MBF white fir and 1 MBF dead all species, for a total of 1,725 MBF, more or less.

Full particulars regarding the terms of the contract regulations governing the sale and bid forms may be obtained from the Department of State Lands, Forestry Division in Missoula, or the Northwestern Land Office, 2250 Highway 93 North, Kalispell, Montana.

MONTANA LOG PRICE REPORT

The State-wide log price report on the following page catalogs recently delivered average log prices to sawmills by species using four geographical areas within Montana. Prices are provided by approximately 35 sawmills operating within the State. The report is compiled through the Extension Forester's Office, School of Forestry, University of Montana, Missoula, Montana 59812.



MONTANA SAWLOG AND VENEER LOG PRICE REPORT

SEPTEMBER - OCTOBER 1986

The following information is a summary breakdown of recent past average prices reportedly paid by primary wood processors for logs of the various species listed. These prices are not necessarily a reflection of current market prices. Fair market prices may vary a great deal based on log size, length, quality, contract size and terms, and a number of other factors. All information reported is recent average price per thousand board feet (MBF), Scribner Decimal rule delivered to the mill site, unless otherwise noted.

Prices provided for this report by individual firms are treated as confidential disclosure of the firm's operations. Any requests for mill specific data which have been provided for the log report will be denied.

SAWLOGS Scribner Dec C MBF	REGION I	*	REGION II	*	REGION III	*	REGION IV	*
Species	Avg. Low High		Avg. Low High		Avg. Low High		Avg. Low High	
Ponderosa pine	$130/$130/$130	G	$200 /$200/$200	F				
(Yellow)			$214 /$185/$275	G/F	$205 /$190/$220	G		
(Bull)			$143 /$135/$150	G/P	$125 /$ 85/$160	G/P		
Lodgepole pine	$140/$140/$140	G	$144 /$140/$150	G/F	$145 /$130/$155	G/F	$168 /$160/$175	G
Douglas-fir	$145/$145/$145	G	$142 /$125/$160	F/P	$152 /$145/$160	F	$165 /$155/$175	G
Western larch			$147 /$135/$160	F/P	$152 /$145/$160	F		
Englemann spruce			$153 /$138/$170	G/F	$163 /$160/$170	F/P	$165 /$155/$175	G
Subalpine fir			$142 /$135/$150	G/P	$140 /$130/$150	F/P	$155 /$155/$155	G
Grand fir			$141 /$135/$150	G/P	$143 /$140/$150	F/P		
Western red cedar			$179 /$150/$200	G/P	$175 /$160/$190	F		
Hemlock			$140 /$130/$150	G/P	$135 /$130/$140	P		
White pine			$216 /$190/$250	G/F	$225 /$200/$250	G		

VENEER LOGS Scribner Dec C MBF	STATEWIDE REPORT	
Species	Avg. Low High	Demand Next 60 Days
Douglasfir	$165 / $160 / $170	G/F
Ponderosa pine (bull)	$150 / $150 / $150	G
Western Larch	$160 / $150 / $170	G/P

* G = Good
F = Fair
P = Poor

FULL-TREE THINNING AND REMOVAL DEMONSTRATIONS SCHEDULED

Three full tree thinning demonstrations have been set up by the University of Montana to demonstrate two types of farm tractor logging equipment attachments and a trailer mounted mini yarder. The equipment was designed to be used by farmers and landowners who are looking for an inexpensive yet efficient way to commercially thin or harvest small diameter sawlogs. The equipment can be purchased or blue prints are available for those wanting to build the machinery.

The demonstrations will take place in the following areas: September 19-20 - Lewistown; October 17-18 - Bozeman; and October 24-25 - Deer Lodge.

In Lewistown: Mr. John Walkowiak
Northeastern Land Office
Dept. of State Lands - Forestry
P.O. Box 1021
Lewistown, Montana 59457 (406)538-7789

In Bozeman: Mr. Curt Tesmer
Bozeman Unit
Dept. of State Lands - Forestry
P.O. Box 1343
Bozeman, Montana 59715 (406)586-5243

In Anaconda: Mr. Bob Andreozzi
Anaconda Unit
Dept. of State Lands - Forestry
7916 Highway 10A West
Anaconda, Montana 59711 (406)563-6078

CANADIAN COMPANY CONSIDERING MONTANA AS LOCATION FOR BUILDING AN ORIENTED STRAND BOARD FACILITY

It's possible that a Canadian organization may build an oriented strand board plant in Montana. According to John Combs, Assistant Director, Timber Management, U.S. Forest Service, Region 1, "The firm is interested in utilizing generally subsawtimber size lodgepole pine as well as sawtimber-size lodgepole if they don't have to compete for it. They are looking into the feasibility of utilizing dead lodgepole as well as other softwood species."

The facility will use about 200,000 tons of wood annually. Currently four locations are being considered - Butte, Missoula, Columbia Falls and Libby.

PRODUCTS AND SERVICES

1/4" to 2 1/4" dia. X 16 ft. lg. or larger dowels available in lengths up to 10 feet long. Balls, bases, blocks, electronic parts, handles, knobs, moldings, plugs, reels, rollers, shaping, spools, toy parts, wedges and wheels. Available in plain, dip spray or tumble finishes. We treat for outside use. Also, Cooper's and Food Processors supplies. Many other wood products to customer specs. Contact Ed Koelbl, American Wood Working Company, P.O. Box 335, Montello, WI 53949, phone (608)297-2131.

COMMERCIAL CHRISTMAS TREE HARVESTING APPLICANTIONS BEING ACCEPTED

Applications for commercial Christmas tree harvesting will be accepted by the Department of State Lands, Forestry Division, through September 12, 1986 according to Jeff Jahnke, Forest Management Bureau Chief. Applications may be made at the Department of State Lands, Southwestern Land Office in Missoula and the Northwestern Land Office in Kalispell.

The Department of State Lands, Land Office Managers in Missoula and Kalispell will accept applications for the applicant's estimated number of trees to be cut in designated Christmas tree harvest areas in western Montana. According to Jahnke, applications must be accompanied by a deposit of $1.00 per bale for the estimated number of bales to be cut. Information regarding the harvest of trees on State forest land may be obtained from the Land Office Manager, Southwestern Land Office, 1401 27th Avenue, Missoula 59801, or the Land Office Manager, Northwestern Land Office, Box 490, Kalispell 59901.

The minimum stumpage rate for the 1986 season will be $2.75 per bale, according to Jahnke. Bids will be called for on a minimum number of bales to be harvested on areas with more than one applicant. Permits will be awarded to the highest qualified bidder. Bid forms will be mailed to prospective purchasers by September 19, 1986.

Bids will be opened at 2 p.m., October 2, 1986 in the Administrators Office, Department of State Lands, Forestry Division, 2705 Spurgin Road, Missoula. All bids must be delivered to the Forestry Division Administrator prior to that date, Jahnke said.

LOGGER DIRECTORY TO BE UPDATED

Once again the Department of State Lands, Assistance Bureau is in the process of updating the "Directory of Montana Forest Industry Contractors." The directory will be sent upon request to forest landowners, as well as sawmills, loggers and equipment manufacturers and others associated with the forest products industry.

The intent of the directory is to: Assist landowners in locating harvesting services, help loggers locate other logging services and help individuals and companies locate sawlogs or specialty forest products, like houselogs, poles, firewood, hogfuels, etc. . . .

If you are a logger and provide harvesting, hauling and loading services within Montana, we invite you to list your company. Please fill out the MONTANA FOREST PRODUCTS INDUSTRY DIRECTORY LOGGER QUESTIONNAIRE and return it no later than October 31, 1986 to: Department of State Lands, Forestry Division, 2705 Spurgin Road, Missoula, Montana 59801

Your participation will help make the directory complete and useful to the users in your area.

MONTANA FOREST PRODUCTS INDUSTRY DIRECTORY
LOGGER QUESTIONNAIRE

Firm Name: _____

Address: _____

_____ Phone Number: _____

Harvesting Methods:

Rubber Tire	_____	Jammer	_____
Crawler	_____	Horse	_____
Yarder	_____	Mechanical Falling	_____
Chipper	_____	Other	_____

Hauling and Loading:

Log Truck	_____	Loader	_____
Short Log Truck	_____	Self Loader	_____
Lowboy	_____	Chip Van	_____

Operating Range:
(List Counties)

_____ _____

_____ _____

_____ State-wide _____

Comments: _____

_____

Estimated Annual Production:

0-1 MMBF	_____	4-6 MMBF	_____
1-2 MMBF	_____	Greater Than 6 MMBF	_____
2-4 MMBF	_____		

Timber Source: %

Industrial Private	_____
Non-industrial Private	_____
Federal	_____
State	_____

Alternate Products:

Firewood	_____
Pulp Logs	_____
Hog Fuel and Pulp	_____

A Copy of the "1987 Directory" will be made available to you by checking this blank ( )

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